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Subject(s)**AAM 640 Post Placement- Use of the Adoption Medical
Subsidy Program**

The Adoption and Guardianship Assistance Office (AGAO) does not provide funding for treatment more than 200 miles from the parent's residence, when the treatment facility is not in the state in which the family resides.

Reason: Clarification from the AGAO.

**Short-Term
Residential
Treatment
Services**

Short-term residential treatment through a Child Caring Institution (CCI) should be used as a last resort when emotional/behavioral concerns and treatment goals are not being achieved in the home and community setting. The purpose of this treatment is intended to reunify a child with their family and/or in a community setting.

Funding for residential treatment services is limited to children under the age of 18 without a delinquency case pending.

Note: The AGAO cannot provide funding through the adoption medical subsidy program for short-term residential treatment outside the family home for more than 90 days unless an extension has been approved. Residential services cannot be used in lieu of court charges. Placement in a CCI is not to provide for the safety of children in the home who are in foster care as those children should be moved if there is a safety risk.

Reason: Clarification from the AGAO.

Supporting Documentation

The child must be placed in a facility in Michigan or a contiguous state. The facility must be licensed by the state in which it is located and must meet Michigan licensing standards.

Reason: Clarification from the AGAO.

Aftercare Services, Requirements, and Billing

Aftercare services must be provided for each youth who received residential services contracted by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).

The residential may elect to employ a Family Transition Coordinator (FTC) that would be assigned to a youth's case prior to the youth exiting the program.

In order to facilitate quality aftercare services, the residential must maintain community involvement, facilitate ongoing family voice and choice, and transition/permanency planning.

Aftercare level one services must be provided when the youth has services being provided in the home by Community Mental Health (CMH), a Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PHIP), or other services approved by the AGAO. The residential is responsible for a variety of items outlined in this policy.

Aftercare level two services must be provided when the youth does not have services provided by CMH, another plan, or a service approved by the AGAO. The residential is responsible for a variety of items outlined in this policy.

The residential must complete a residential aftercare report at 30, 90, and 180 days after a youth's discharge from the facility.

Aftercare services are not required to be provided if the youth was in the residential's care for 14 days or less, or if the independent initial assessment determines that the youth should be serviced in the community and the youth is discharged from the contractor's care within 30 days of entry.

For families living outside a 90-mile radius from the facility, the residential may subcontract or partner with another agency who is in the family's community.

The residential provider must submit an invoice following the billing procedures outlined in the billing section of this policy.

If the aftercare levels change during a billing period, the dates for the specific levels must clearly be indicated.

See [FOM 903-09, Case Service Payments](#) for aftercare level one and aftercare level two daily payment rate.

Reason: Clarification from the AGAO.

Short-Term Residential Treatment Extension Requests

The AGAO may provide limited funding through the adoption medical subsidy program for short-term residential treatment outside the family home. Funding may be extended for an additional 90 days when all required documentation is provided indicating that additional treatment time is needed and prior authorization is granted in writing, by the AGAO for the funded period.

Reason: Clarification from the AGAO.

Special Circumstance Extension

There may be a circumstance where treatment to support a child's emotional problems cannot be concluded within 90 to 180 days. A family may request a special circumstance extension by submitting an additional written request and including supporting documentation that an additional extension is needed. Supporting documentation must include specific information describing how further residential treatment will benefit the child, the parent's involvement in the child's treatment plan, visitation, and the plan for reintegration into the family or community. This extension request requires the Children's Services Agency (CSA) Executive Director or designee approval and cannot exceed a maximum of 180 days.

Note: This special circumstance extension is approved in 90-day funding periods.

Reason: Clarification from the AGAO.

Step-Down Services

Requirements for a step-down placement are:

- Provided in a licensed CCI.

Reason: Clarification from the AGAO.

Payment

Step-down services are paid at the following rates:

- Child ages 0-12 is \$50 per day/per child to the provider/foster parent(s) and the relevant administrative rate to the supervising

agency, if applicable; or the daily rate to the CCI or transitional placement program home.

- Child ages 13-17 is \$60 per day/per child to the provider/foster parent(s) and the relevant administrative rate to the supervising agency, if applicable; or the daily rate to the CCI or transitional placement program home.

Reason: Clarification from the AGAO.

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